

Give Taxpayers 'Better Return'

Turner Wants CIA to Share Intelligence With Public

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In a clear departure from the tight-lipped approach of his predecessors, CIA Director Stansfield Turner has expressed a desire to share intelligence information with the public. He also promised that the CIA will be talking more.

"We want to share what information we collect when it can be unclassified," Turner told groups in Columbus, Ohio, and Detroit yesterday.

"For example, there is economic and political information that we can collect that would be of value to American businessmen," he told the Economic Club of Detroit.

He said the CIA is ready to expand its intelligence activities to non-military areas that could give taxpayers "a better return on their investment."

IN COLUMBUS last night, Turner said the tradition of keeping CIA work secret "is no longer the policy because the public wants to know. We will be speaking more, answering the media more completely, and publishing more."

Turner said the Soviet Union, while concentrating heavily on maintaining an extensive spy network, has fallen seriously behind the United States in the technical aspects of intelligence.

He said satellites and other devices have enhanced the CIA's ability to gather information on a global scale,

but have not reduced the need for personnel.

"We now have an increased demand for the human element," Turner said. "We use the technology to collect information, but we need the traditional human agent to know what someone's plans and intentions are."

"WE HOPE THE academic community can gain from intelligence," Turner said in an address at Ohio State University. "We need the relations with the academic community because the lifeblood of intelligence is the annual infusion of a few good high quality persons from the campus," he said. "It's a demanding and exciting profession."

He said he is confident that out of the new trends, "we are building a strong intelligence community, the best in the world."

Turner has testified before congressional committees that the CIA now is accumulating so much information through modern technical means it should be shared with the nation's industrialists, academics, economists and businessmen.

He said that through satellites there are great amounts of information about potential oil and energy reserves, crop perspectives and industrial expansion, and that the CIA, as a public-funded agency, should share such information on a wider scale.